

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An information management apparatus acquires service-specific information which is related to a combination of types of electronic apparatuses required for implementing a service. The information management apparatus stores at least one piece of service-specific information acquired by a service-specific information acquisition section. The information management apparatus acquires apparatus-specific information which is related to an electronic apparatus. The electronic apparatus transmits a service search request. In response to the service search request, the information management apparatus searches for services, which can be implemented by the electronic apparatus, based on the service-specific information and the apparatus-specific information. The information management apparatus transmits, to the electronic apparatus, a search result which is information indicting a listing of services which can be implemented by the electronic apparatus. Therefore, the information management apparatus facilitates an easy search of horizontal services.